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GROUP 1754  
PATENT APPLICATION

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Katsura ITO, et al.

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For: PHOTOCATALYTIC POWDER, PHOTOCATALYTIC SLURRY, AND POLYMER COMPOSITION, COATING AGENT, PHOTOCATALYTIC FUNCTIONAL MOLDED ARTICLE AND PHOTOCATALYTIC FUNCTIONAL STRUCTURE USING THE POWDER

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 3, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 to 19 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claims 1 to 18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,090,736 to Taoda et al.

Applicants submit that Taoda et al do not disclose or render obvious the presently claimed invention and, accordingly, request withdrawal of this rejection.